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**MAYOR LIGHTFOOT ANNOUNCES JULY 3RD FIREWORKS TO CELEBRATE  
CHICAGO'S REOPENING AND INDEPENDENCE DAY WEEKEND**

*Fireworks will be visible from multiple locations along the lakefront.*

**CHICAGO** — Mayor Lori E. Lightfoot is pleased to announce July 3rd fireworks along the lakefront to kick off Independence Day Weekend. The event will also act as a celebration for Chicagoans whose diligence in following public health guidance has allowed City leaders to safely and fully re-open under Mayor Lightfoot's "Open Chicago" initiative. In place of Navy Pier Fireworks, the fireworks display will illuminate Chicago's skyline starting at 9:30 PM.

"Putting on a grandiose fireworks display to celebrate both our city's reopening and Independence Day is an excellent way to kick off the summer we've all been waiting for," said Mayor Lightfoot. "Thanks to the hard work of our residents, who followed public health guidelines and did their part to slow and stop the spread of COVID-19, we are now able to bring back exciting summer traditions like these. As our newly reopened city continues adapting to a new normal, I want to urge our residents to continue getting vaccinated so we can bring back even more of our favorite outdoor events."

Because these fireworks will be shot higher than usual, there will be a large spectrum of viewing possibilities for the public. The fireworks display will be visible from multiple locations along the lakefront, from Grand Avenue to the north to at least 55th Street to the south. For those who choose to view the fireworks in person, the City recommends travel on public transit. For more information, visit [transitchicago.com](https://transitchicago.com).

WBBM Newsradio 780 AM & 105.9 FM will provide a music simulcast, broadcasting the music soundtrack to accompany the fireworks display.

The City of Chicago wants to ensure a safe and enjoyable holiday weekend. The City's public safety departments along with state and federal agencies will monitor events and activities throughout the weekend. Our top priority is public safety, and



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the City reminds residents to be aware of their surroundings and report suspicious activity by calling 9-1-1.

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